



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 284**

LCO No. 2437



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:  
(HS)

**AN ACT INCREASING THE AGE FROM EIGHT TO EIGHTEEN YEARS FOR AN INCOME-ELIGIBLE PERSON TO OBTAIN MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (l) of section 17b-261 of the 2022 supplement to  
2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

4 (l) On and after January 1, 2023, the Commissioner of Social Services  
5 shall, within available appropriations, provide state-funded medical  
6 assistance to any child [eight years of age and younger] or young adult  
7 under nineteen years of age, regardless of immigration status, (1) whose  
8 household income does not exceed two hundred one per cent of the  
9 federal poverty level without an asset limit, and (2) who does not  
10 otherwise qualify for Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance  
11 Program, or an offer of affordable, employer-sponsored insurance as  
12 defined in the Affordable Care Act, as an employee or a dependent of  
13 an employee.

14 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 17b-292 of the 2022 supplement to the

15 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
16 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

17 (a) A child who resides in a household with household income that  
18 exceeds one hundred ninety-six per cent of the federal poverty level but  
19 does not exceed three hundred eighteen per cent of the federal poverty  
20 level may be eligible for benefits under HUSKY B. Not later than  
21 January 1, 2023, the Commissioner of Social Services shall, within  
22 available appropriations, provide state-funded medical assistance to  
23 any child [eight years of age and younger] or young adult under  
24 nineteen years of age, regardless of immigration status, (1) with a  
25 household income that exceeds two hundred one per cent of the federal  
26 poverty level but does not exceed three hundred twenty-three per cent  
27 of the federal poverty level, and (2) who does not otherwise qualify for  
28 Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program, or an offer of  
29 affordable, employer-sponsored insurance as defined in the Affordable  
30 Care Act, as an employee or a dependent of an employee.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2022</i>	17b-261(l)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2022</i>	17b-292(a)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To provide medical assistance for income-eligible persons under nineteen years of age regardless of immigration status.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*